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RATS, CATS AND SNAKES.

Silly Superstitions Prevailing in All Parts of China.

The natives do not like rats, and endeavor in various ways to get rid of them, as, for instance, by placing a wretched character on the ceiling, or many characters at times, under the popular supposition that rats, like people, so respect the written character that they will not deserve it by walking past. Some rats, however, seem to be like some people, and the clan does not always work satisfactorily.

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THE GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

The message of Gov. S. B. Buckner to the Senate and House of Representatives is an able and concise document. It deals plainly and directly with all questions of vital importance concerning the welfare of the public.

The Hewitt Revenue Law is endorsed in the following language:

"When the last General Assembly convened in 1885, the receipts of the Treasury, as reported by the preface, were insufficient to meet the demands made upon it by existing appropriations. This result had been brought about chiefly by a defective system of assessments and collections, under the operations of which great inequalities prevailed in the valuations of property reported for taxation, while a considerable part of the taxable property of the State did not appear on the books of the Assessors. It was evident to the General Assembly that a persistence in so vicious a system of assessment would not only result in manifest injustice to individuals, by imposing an undue proportion of the burdens of government upon those least able to bear them, but would also, by diminishing the revenue and thus increasing the annual deficits, result disastrously to the credit of the Commonwealth. To meet the demands of the people for a better system, they wisely enacted the present revenue law. Under its operation, the Auditor's report shows that, instead of a deficit, there was a balance in the Treasury, on June 30, 1887, of \$197,684.88. After deducting the ordinary expenses of the government, including the legislative expenses, he estimates a balance June 30, 1888, of \$57,438.59, and on June 30, 1889, of \$297,988.59."

The favorable showing is the result of a more equitable assessment, and a more prompt collection of the revenue; and while the new law may require amendments, of the propriety of which you can best judge as the immediate representative of your respective constituencies, it is respectfully suggested that, in any changes you may deem proper to make, care should be taken not to modify principally the principal features of a bill which has shown such satisfactory results."

The Governor suggests that the seemingly unnecessary expenses imposed upon the State for criminal prosecutions, record books, idiots and guards for prisoners be reduced.

That all fines and forfeitures collected be transmitted in full and at once to the State Treasury, and that officers entitled to a per cent receive the same by warrant drawn on the Treasury.

That the books of the Auditor and Treasurer be examined.

That the criminal law be revised with special reference to attempted assassinations, punishing the perpetrators of this crime with exceptional severity. The classes of felonies bailable should be more clearly defined.

The message is full on the subject of bribery in elections, as follows:

"The safety of a Republic resides in the exercise of the right of suffrage by its citizens, uninfluenced by intimidation or corruption. Attempts have been made by your predecessors to check the evils attending the employment of money in controlling elections; but it is to be regretted that, notwithstanding existing legislation on the subject, the evil has already attained a magnitude which seriously endangers the interests of society. Not only the corrupt practices employed in the choice of candidates for political municipal offices, but it seems certain that judicial elections are conducted with equal disregard of law; and when it is considered that there is but one step between the purchase of judicial position and the sale of justice, the people may well despair of the proper administration of the law under the existing system of election."

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or conspiracies of persons formed for the purpose of violating the laws against them."

A law requiring the prosecuting attorney, in cases where petition for pardon follows conviction, to furnish the Governor or Attorney General a full statement of facts proved in the case, is recommended, as such a course appears to the Governor necessary to do both the public and the accused justice.

The Railroad Commissioners are endorsed, and additional legislation is asked granting the commission power to regulate freight and passenger rates, to have trains run to suit the convenience of the public, to see that the roads and bridges are kept in good order, and depot accommodations are good. Also that one of the commission be styled the Railroad Commissioner with office at Frankfort, and an increased salary, while the others be styled Deputy Commissioners with decreased salaries.

The complete repair of the Capitol buildings with the erection of the lacking wing is necessary, in order to have room and comfort to facilitate the work of the departments and the courts.

The abolition of the office of Commissioner of Agriculture is advised, the function of that office to be transferred to the Agricultural and Mechanical College. Also that the study of the classical languages be prohibited in that school, and in their place the studies of mining, mechanics and engineering be substituted.

A committee to be composed of the Superintendents of the three Lunatic Asylums to select a building and arrange for the erection of a building for colored lunatics is advised.

An office to be styled the Inspector of Public Works and Institutions, whose duty it shall be to have general supervision of the asylums, State turnpike stocks, &c., is recommended.

The State Militia is complimented, and a suggestion is made that an annual tax of 25 cents per capita be imposed upon militiamen for the better equipment of the active militia.

The public school system is recommended, and regret expressed that it does not receive the proper local aid that it deserves. The colored Normal Institute is submitted to the fostering care of the Legislature.

The message praises the Commissioner of Insurance and the laws relative to that office, and suggests that the office be raised to the dignity of a separate and distinct Department from that of the Auditor.

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A sad and sudden death occurred in Washington City on last Thursday forenoon. A well-dressed lady fell unconscious to the pavement on Connecticut avenue, and was removed to a hospital. She remained unconscious until her death that followed soon after. There was nothing by which she could be identified, save a handkerchief with one word "Bosworth" on it. An afternoon paper mentioned that, and all was revealed. The lady proved to be the wife of Hon. Ezra B. Taylor, Congressman from Ohio, who succeeded Mr. Garfield. She was a Mrs. Bosworth, of Lexington, Ky., and been married to Mr. Taylor only two months. She has two sons and a daughter in Lexington.

In their younger days, Mr. Taylor and the lady lived in the same town, and were engaged to be married. But something broke off the match, and both were married. Four years ago, Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Bosworth both died, and recently the old love was renewed with the result as above stated.

It would be well for persons from home to carry something by which they could be identified in case of sudden death. A letter, a card, a ring, collar, cuff—anything having the name would suffice. Mrs. Taylor died of apoplexy.

HORRIBLE RAILROAD WRECK.

On last Saturday afternoon, near 1 o'clock, two passenger trains collided at Greenwood, twelve miles from Somerset on the Cincinnati Southern Railroad, and a fearful wreck resulted. A conductor named Shrum incorrectly read his orders, mistaking Summit for Somerset, and thus brought about the woeful collision. The trains were running at full speed and dashed into each other completely telescoping the boilers of the two locomotives, and crushing several cars. The baggage and mail cars on the North-bound train took fire and they with their contents were consumed. The baggage car going South was thrown down an embankment thirty feet and smashed. Seven people were killed and fifteen wounded. Among the killed was James Severance, of Stanford, postal clerk. The others were Fireman Conder, of Ohio; J. H. Avery, of Cincinnati; Baggage-Master Callen, of Cincinnati; Baggage-Master Withrow, of Ludlow, Ky.; Express Messenger Powell, of Knoxville; Engineer Taylor, of Somerset, and Miss Jessie Green, of Cincinnati. Shrum was seriously hurt.

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THE LEGISLATURE.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky convened in regular biennial session at Frankfort on last Friday.

The Democratic caucus, Hon. Ben Johnson, of Nelson county, was nominated for Speaker, which was equivalent to an election. Mr. Johnson is only 28 years old, but is a brilliant lawyer, and it is expected that he will make an admirable Speaker.

It is with pleasure that we note the nomination of Hon. Green R. Keller, editor of the Carlisle Mercury, for Clerk of the House. Mr. James E. Stone, of Breckinridge, was named for Assistant Clerk; Robt. Tyler, of Bullitt, for Sergeant-at-Arms; and J. P. Dawson, of Simpson, for Door-keeper.

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and the necessity for the continuance of the office. It appears, from their statement, that there are now in the State 2,341 miles of railway; that there have been constructed during the year 244 miles, and that the total cost of these roads was \$76,513,920. The total assessed value of the railroad property amounts to \$35,671,631, being an increase over the previous year of \$1,924,025. In 1886 the gross earnings amounted to \$10,937,176. In 1887 the gross earnings were \$12,399,724.11, being an increase of 13 per cent. The net earnings have increased in about the same ratio.

The report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction shows satisfactory progress in that important department of the State Government. The school population of the current year numbers 549,592 white and 107,144 colored children, being an increase over the previous year of 10,632 whites and 4,307 colored. The number of the school districts in the present year of 6,188 white and 1,011 colored previous year being an increase over the sixty-six districts for white children and eight for the colored.

It will be interesting to many

to prompt disposition of that question, and if it is disposed of very early in the session, it will be because of the delays interposed in the way of amendments and the dilatory tactics of the protectionists. The reformers, however, express a willingness to make many concessions rather than to suffer a defeat such as was experienced last session. Another question that will doubtless receive considerable attention is the temperance cause. A bill introduced by Senator Platt contains prohibition in the District of Columbia. It has many friends in the Senate, and will probably pass that body, but may meet with opposition in the House. The liquor interests are already organizing to make a fight against the bill, and before many days of the session have passed, the fight will have waxed warm. Unfortunately for the good of the cause Senator Ingalls, the chairman of the District of Columbia committee is opposed to prohibition, but a majority of the other members are friendly to it and will see that the bill receives proper consideration at an early day.

It may be interesting to many admirers of the late Gen. Hancock, to know that the fund being raised to purchase his widow a residence here is nearly completed. The house which is the property of his after-dark labors has taken the dollars from the pockets of many an unsusppecting man who treats himself to the toothsome bird. Joe is a sparrow netter and he is the only one in the city who follows it as a money-making busiess. His hunting grounds are not in the public squares nor wooded places near the city. He hunts his game chiefly on the side walls of churches, dwelling-houses and other places where ivy vines climb and entangle trees.

The sparrow net's method of procedure is this: He provides himself with a soap net similar to those used for crabbing, but much larger. He has put an improvement on the idea, however, as he has a purse string through the net some distance below the ring. The mouth of the net is about six feet in diameter. The handle is strong enough to enable him to reach up on the sides of the ivy-covered buildings.

When Joe reaches a spot where he intends to make a haul, he reaches up his big net until he covers a large space where the vines are tickled. While he presses the mouth of the net close against the wall, his assistant with a long pole, stirs up the vines. The distroller builds up a barrier behind the net. When he thinks he has enough birds in his purse he lets go of the string and i

has his catch running a little light yet, but last fall he captured as high as one hundred and twenty dozen in a single day. The sparrows have for the noisy little nuisances makes it a matter of little difficulty for Joe to obtain permission to trap the sparrows, and the police, who know his business, never interfere with them. Where the walls can be reached from the street he never asks for any body's permission.

A reporter to whom Joe explained his method of capturing the sparrows asked what he did with them. "Sell 'em," answered Joe. "Sell 'em?"

"Well, if you promise not to tell any body I'll tell you. I sell 'em to restaurants for real birds cost the restaurants from fifty cents a dozen up. I sell the sparrows to them from twenty-five cents to thirty-five cents, according to the catch. I pick 'em up and fix 'em up after I've taken 'em home at night, and I take 'em out early in the morning and sell them for a dollar a pound. The sparrows are good eating, and if you eat them raw, you must eat them whole, or any other way, you must have eaten some of my catch. There hasn't been much of the taste in the taste, an' dun me if I wouldn't rather eat a sparrow anyhow. There's a real red birds cost the restaurants from fifty cents a dozen up. I sell the sparrows to them from twenty-five cents to thirty-five cents, according to the catch. I pick 'em up and fix 'em up after I've taken 'em home at night, and I take 'em out early in the morning and sell them for a dollar a pound. 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An \$800 jack the property of Mr. Geo. P. Deatherage, died last week.

Mr. R. P. Fox sold his bay saddle gelding to Mr. Wilson, of Carlisle for \$175.

Rev. W. E. Hamilton and wife have removed to one of the cottages on Hallie street.

Mr. R. C. Potts and family have removed back to town and occupy their residence on Hill street.

Mr. William Arnold has sent two ears of mules South, but for the market has not been what he would like.

Kentucky River reached a stageon January 1st slightly past flooding, and yesterday a steamer left Ford for Beaufort.

Dr. Gile Harris, Waco, offers his professional services to the public according to a card found elsewhere in this issue.

A number of persons took advantage of the ice season on Thursday and Friday last, and filled or nearly filled their ice houses with ice 2½ inches thick.

A winter circus has been inaugurated in New York with a full menagerie and 100 performers by Mr. Frank A. Robbins. It will be here in about three months.

Mr. and Mrs. Larkin Mullins received a handsome New Year gift from a relative in Paris, France. It consists of ten superb roses, the finest that could be secured.

The C. H. Brock property on the corner of Lancaster Avenue and Brock street was sold at public sale on Thursday to Messrs. J. Stone Walker and S. S. Parkes for \$8,000.

Messrs. H. J. and W. M. Burton of Kirkville, will teach a select school at East Bernstadt, beginning the 16th. The course will include Latin, Greek, German, French and book-keeping.

Silas Cobb, the young lawyer who has made his home in this city for the past six months, has concluded to return to Omaha, where he will hereafter reside. Mr. Cobb is a young man of ability and we are confident will soon be classed among the best lawyers of Omaha. We wish him the best of success.—Nebraska City Times.

Capt. J. Speed Smith, agent of the Hartford Fire Insurance Co., presented THE CLIMAX office with a very handsome lithograph of the Right Hon. Wm. Gladstone, M. P. Thanks awfully Capt. Smith, and we shall be glad to have our friends call and see a good picture of this world-renowned statesman.

Policeman Resigned.

Mr. John A. Mershon, who for years has been on the police force of Richmond, sent in his resignation last Tuesday. He has made an excellent officer, and the successor will have a difficult task in giving equal satisfaction.

Coal Yard Change.

Mr. W. K. Denny sold on last Thursday to Messrs. D. R. & G. Foran his lease on the McCloud warehouse and coal yard. The new firm will be glad to have the patronage of the community and will furnish you with the best of coal.

Grand Opening.

Messrs. Tribble & Blount will have a grand opening in their new, large and handsome store-house, First street, on Friday evening, January 6, 1888, at 7 o'clock. A band of music will be on hand and all kinds of refreshments served.

The Tree at Ford.

It is said that the Christmas tree at Ford eclipsed every thing of the kind in both Clark and Madison. The largest crowd ever assembled at Ford was present. Miss Dolly Irvin of Lebanon and Miss Laura Shaeckford of Richmond arranged the tree. Dr. Blanton is happy over the result.

Four Seats and Seven.

January 1st was the celebration of the 87th birthday of Yeatman Dozier, who was born near Foxton, Madison county. He located in an early day two miles North of Winston, Estill county, where he now resides. He is hide and hearty, fond of reading, and reads the finest print without the use of spectacles.

A New Calendar.

Something new in the way of a calendar has been sent out by the Pope Manufacturing Company, of Boston, Mass. It is in the form of a pad or a book, with blank space under each day for memoranda. It is neat and convenient, and one will be sent you on application. The printed matter contains valuable information.

Western Wealth.

Such conflicting reports are heard from various sources that it is a relief to read a reliable statement of the actual situation of the farmers, stockmen and business men of the West, such as is contained in a pamphlet just issued under the above title. The statistics given are the official figures. Parties desiring this pamphlet can secure a copy free by addressing C. H. Warren, Gen. Pass. Agent, St. Paul, Minn.

Young Men do You Want a Situation.

There is no better lever for success than the thorough and Practical Business Course at the Commercial College of Kentucky University at Lexington, Ky. A large number of our most prominent book-keepers and successful business men of this town and county are its graduates and advocates. Read the advertisement of this College in another column and write to Prof. Wilbur R. Smith Lexington, Ky., for circular and inducements offered our town and county boys and young ladies and gentlemen to attend this College.

View of the Capitol.

Mr. C. W. Batch, of the McCance Advertising Company, Washington, D. C., has been in the city this week securing ads. for an advertising chart. The center piece is a splendidly executed photograph representing the Capitol at Washington, and forms a very artistic and attractive way of advertising. He secured quite a number of advertisers and placed a chart in each of three places: Post-office, Willis' House and Garnett House. The printing was done at THE CLIMAX Printing Office and any changes in space or advertisements will have our care and attention.

Christmas.

The mode of enjoying Christmas has changed materially in Madison county. Fewer parties were given than ever before known, but more presents. There was not a party of any consequence in the county, so far as we can hear. But the like of Christmas presents made was never known. Many of them were costly presents too. Nobody could have believed that the numerous \$10, \$15, \$20 and \$25 presents seen in different houses would be disposed of, but they were. Christmas goods were perhaps never so cleanly sold.

Daughters of Rebecca.

A lodge of this degree was instituted by Grand Master Reed on Thursday Dec. 29. The following officers were elected:

Mrs. Caddie A. Reed, N. G.; Mrs. Amanda T. Million, V. G.; W. B. White, R. S. N. G.; Mrs. Mattie Tribble, L. S. N. G.; J. B. Nicholson, R. S. V. G.; Mrs. Ada Jett, Secretary.

Mrs. Nannie E. Clowers, Treasurer; Mrs. Luisa Fraze, Conductor; S. L. Midkiff, Outside Guard; M. A. Arneske, Inside Guard; A. J. Tribble Chaplain.

Belligerant Ladies.

The subjoined card received by the editor of THE CLIMAX explains itself: [We suppose the B. L. stands for the heading which we give above.] Comptitive Grecian Drill: The young ladies of Company B. L. will be glad to have you attend their Competitive Grecian Drill and Mask Promenade Concert, at Layson's Hall, Shelbyville, Thursday, December 27, 1887, at 8 o'clock.

Committee of Entertainment: Mrs. Wm. Bullock, Mrs. James M. Logan, Mrs. K. T. Davis, Miss Mattie Beard, Mrs. Wilson Escort, Mrs. R. A. Smith, Mrs. James Guthrie, Miss Mayme Bullock.

Court Day.

Fair crowd in town but business reported dull. Not many cattle on the market, and a few if any changed hands. A number of mules on the market. Gentry Bros. of Danville bought 24 cotton mules, prices paid were \$75 to \$120. Carrithers and Beard of Lexington bought 10 cotton mules, prices ranging from \$80 to \$110. Fox Bros. bought 2 mules for \$225. No sheep on the market. Tuesday was a continuance of Court-day and a good many people were in town. There were a number of mules on the market. Mr. Robt. Miller sold to Mr. McCloud, of Bristol, Tenn., 20 mules at \$100 per head, \$2,200. Mr. Samuel B. Fox sold 27 mules to the same party for \$2,700. Gentry Brothers of Danville, purchased a few more on Tuesday from \$75 to \$135.

A Shooting.

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NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

Mrs. Wesley Ray, of Marshall County, presented her husband Christmas Day with a quartet of babies, two girls and two boys. All are doing well.

Mrs. McCauley, of Chicago, who shot and killed her husband for his infidelity, has been discharged from custody, the Coroner's jury returning a verdict that "she was insane and irresponsible for his acts at the time the offense was committed."

This important decision was handed down by the Court of Appeals recently.

Where one may kill in his own defense, because of danger, either real or apparent, another may do so for him, but one who thus inferses is guilty of murder if the person in whose defense he was, is in fault.

Claire Louise Kellogg was once worth \$25,000, but unfortunate investments broke her up, financially, and now, in her old age, she finds herself a comparatively poor woman, and the 27 year old boy she married may yet be penniless and have to work for a living. It is almost to dreadful to think of!

The weather seems to be a trifle too cold for fans, and last week John Thompson, of New York, a dealer in those articles, made an assignment with \$42,000 preferences. Mr. Thompson's plan is to pay his creditors in full if they will allow him to continue his business till the heated term set in.

Lammie T., a fifteen-year-old son of R. P. Scooe, of Clark County, fatally shot himself in the head with a No. 22 rifle on last Wednesday evening. The ball entered the corner of the right eye at the base of the skull and penetrated the brain. He lingered in an unconscious condition until Thursday night when he died.

News from Hawesville, Ky., reports that Jack Hassan, a restaurant keeper, shot and killed John O'Donnell, a railroad construction man, at that place last evening. O'Donnell had a quarrel with the boy, who violently resisted, when the officer was forced to shoot him. The wound is reported to be fatal.

William Johnston fifty years of age, whose home is in the extreme lower end of Franklin county, was found Thursday frozen to death several miles from Frankfort. Johnston was in town last Saturday to drink considerably. He started home about 8 o'clock in the evening, and nothing was heard of him until his remains were discovered.

During a recent fire at Wakefield, a mining town in Michigan, the lawless element made raids upon the business houses, hundreds of shots being fired to intimidate merchants, who were endeavoring to save their stock. They looted a number of the stores, one of the desperadoes standing guard with a loaded pistol over merchants and employees while the robbery went on.

A concession has been granted to a steamship company for a line between New York, New Orleans and Vera Cruz, the vessels to touch all Mexico ports of the Gulf of Mexico, and to carry mails. The usual rebate of two per cent on custom duties is granted, and the line is obliged to carry freight and passengers at lower rates than those now charged. The Government will pay \$1,000 the round-trip subsidy.

The last rail on the new branch of the Louisville & Nashville railroad, from Bardstown to Springfield, was laid Thursday. General Manager Hanahan went out on the new road Friday morning on the construction train. The first passenger train will probably go to Springfield about the first of the year, if the weather in the meantime does not interfere with the work of finishing and properly ballasting the road-bed.

William H. Barringer, a popular young man who just died at Troy, N. Y., was a constant smoker of cigarettes. He became troubled with an affection of the heart, which was followed by dropsy. Several physicians attended him, and they all agreed that his system had been shattered by nicotine poisoning. He had a fine physique, and until recently was believed to have bright prospects of long life. After his death one of his veins burst, and the blood therefrom was almost as black as ink.

A Nicholasville dispatch 27—Jerome E. Sparks and his friends have been very busy the past week getting ready to contest the seat of W. T. Jones in the next General Assembly. Mr. Sparks, who was defeated by 75 votes, claims they were all illegal. As the poll-books were stolen a few days after the election there is no record to show that such an election was held in Jessamine county. Mr. Jones' friends very sanguine that he will win, as he has had his certificate of election signed by two of the comparing board.

The Lawrenceburg News say a negro convict of the gang at the railroad camp south of town died last week under peculiar circumstances. He was sent from Bourbon county several weeks ago on a three years sentence, but had never worked any, having continually defrauded food and gone into a steady decline, though the doctors said there was nothing the master with him except grief over the position. He was buried by the side of the road, and the same cart that hauled the coffin for him from town, took on top of the coffin a jug of whisky for one of the bosses.

Fred Jaynes, of this city, lost his life a few years ago, under exactly the same circumstances.

Mary A. Hutchison is a well-known young lady residing at Gravette, a few miles above Knoxville, Tenn. She has had many suitors, two of the most favored being Wesley Thompson and J. M. Buckley. These men were favored by her, and wanted to settle the matter by force. The girl informed

them she could not consent to that, but said the one which could get a marriage license and return to her first should be the groom. Then a race for a bride began. Both lovers reached this place, got the papers and were close together on the return trip. By a mishap to Buckley's horse Thompson secured the prize by three minutes.

The latest from Morehead is the good results of the temperance revival now being held there by Miss McDermott, of Olympia, Ky., assisted by a Mt. Sterling lady. Seems almost the entire town, men and women, big and little, young and old, have affixed their signatures to the pledge and donned the blue ribbon. The influential citizens of the town have also decided to raise a subscription to purchase Mrs. Tolliver's interest in this little city, provided she depart to some other portion of the country. It may be added, though recently published, that Mrs. Tolliver's saloon is now the only establishment of that character existing at Morehead.

Thomas Traylor was killed by James Parker in Caldwell county last Friday. Parker had been whipped by Vigilants and ordered to leave the country. He bought a gun at Princeton, and started back home. Traylor was in Princeton the same day, and among other things bought a false face. He overtook Parker and put the mask on to frighten him. Parker had been warned that he would be killed, and seeing a disguised man approaching, ordered him to halt. Traylor did not stop, and Parker fired, blowing half of Traylor's head off. Parker informed some neighbors of what he had done, and then went home. He has not been arrested, and the Vigilants have not troubled him. Public opinion justifies him.

George King, a little son of Mr. Robert King, the bricklayer, who lives on Franklin and Shelby streets, in Louisville, shot himself with a toy pistol Sunday afternoon. He was playing with it in the sitting room when it went off accidentally and sent the ball through the upper fleshly part of his right leg. The muzzle was so near that the flash of the powder set his pants a-blazing. The fire spread and soon the little fellow was wrapped in flames. His loud screams brought some of the family to his rescue. A blanket was snatched from the bed and thrown around him, and the fire thereby extinguished. The boy's clothing was almost completely burned off him and his body was badly burned. His injuries, though serious, are not considered fatal.

About eight years ago Ben Dorsey, of Bourbon county, became involved in debt, and he expected to have his fine farm of three hundred acres sold to satisfy his creditors. This misfortune drove him from his home. No one knew where he went, and it was thought he had died. After all these years, spent in Canada and England, he has returned home to find that his mother and sisters had rented out his land, paid off his debts and he still owns a fine farm. This is another instance where the conservative industry does not try to integrity and sober habits of women, has accomplished what a strong man failed to do. It would be just like a man if Dorsey should get married and make it so hot for his mother and sister as to drive them off the place.

It was impossible, it seems, for Frankfort to escape a serious shooting affray during Christmas week. Last night Deputy Marshal John Stevens, while passing the store of Charles Lang, in an intoxicated condition, it is said, heard a noise in the store and questioned a negro named Frank Jordan as to the cause of the disorder. The negro said that he was not the offender, and Stephens applied an opprobrious epithet to him, which the negro resented. Pistols were drawn and our shots passed, the last one taken effecting in the left breast of a lad fifteen years old, son of Coleman Carr. The ball glanced to the left arm, from which it was extracted, and from the developments of inward bleeding and gradual exhaustion to-day, it is feared it struck some vital part, from which he will not be able to recover.

The little town of Carlisle, Ky., was the scene of a decidedly sensational shooting Tuesday night, and when the discovery was made that two men had received wounds of a serious, but not necessarily of a dangerous character, the shooting was confined to a white woman named Sallie Walker, but it is properly known as Mrs. Fleming. It is seen that Charles Morford, a young lawyer of Carlisle, after partaking of a Christmas dinner, garnished with some old time rock and roll, went to the place above mentioned and proceeded to do up the house. Chairs were first used as weapons, followed by pistols being drawn. About twenty shots were exchanged, resulting in Morford being wounded in the right arm and Henry O. James, of Paris, suffered a similar wound. The affair has created quite a sensation throughout the county in which it occurred. Morford being a young attorney of bright prospects, and James a trusted employee of the Kentucky Central Railroad. The gait of the game, so far as I can see, All they do is to knock a ball to and fro. The principal feature of the game, 'near as I can make out,' is to get the ball to the other hand, and the consequence is that the gals are dressed in all the colors of the rainbow and as near like men as they dare to be. The fellers were generally white in white flannel and profuse perspiration. And I've heard they have gals kick up their heels.

The cotton plant is! The world waits in anticipation on its growth. The shower that falls whispering on its leaves is heard around the earth in Tennessee, and when it is tempered with the grace of all the winds that chill it and the dew that descends from the stars is noted, and the trans-pacific's little worm on its green leaves is to be sought than the Asian out-pose. It is a god from the instant it puts forth its tiny shoot. Its fibre is finer than every wool, and floats a sunny banner that glorifies the field of the lumberman, that man marshalled under a flag that will comp the almighty's will and weep.

It was a constant smoker of cigarettes. He became troubled with an affection of the heart, which was followed by dropsy. Several physicians attended him, and they all agreed that his system had been shattered by nicotine poisoning. He had a fine physique, and until recently was believed to have bright prospects of long life. After his death one of his veins burst, and the blood therefrom was almost as black as ink.

The Coming Style in Ladies' Shoes, Hosiery and Gloves.

Very familiar is the dictum that to be well booted and gloved is to be well dressed. Now, when these points are certainly most essential to good dressing, they are not by any means the only ones to be considered. If the neck-dressing and the handkerchiefs are unsuitable and the fan's bed taste, the good effect of any toilet will be marred.

There are in the belongings of a toilette special styles that are prominently smart, but for women to whom these are unsuited or distasteful there are always others that, while ranking among the conservatives, afford sufficient scope for individual whims.

The most popular boot for walking is of soft kid, with a somewhat narrow, though not pointed, toe, a heel high enough to be of use (but not like that on a Louis Quatorze slipper) and a short vamp. Sometimes it is entirely of kid; again the vamp is of patent leather, and the tips of kid or cloth. The very wide boot, known as "comfy," is becoming more and more popular.

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